



**IT'S WHO
YOU KNOW**

J.T.C.

Law offices of Shyster and Shwindle, may I help you?

Yeah, let me speak to Shyster Jr. This is his old pal, Hank!

Hold, please.

Mr. Shyster, this person claims he's an old friend. His name is Hank.


I *hate* friends! Hang up! I'm busy. If he calls again, I'll sue him for harassment!



What are you doing in my office?

I'm Sydney Monroe, the new mail boy! Thank you for the job, sir.

Humph! I didn't hire you.



Do you know *why* you got this job?

I'm just lucky, I guess.

NO! You dumbbell! Sit down and listen to me.

Do you know my wife?

She's my Aunt Rebecca!

And that's the *only* reason you're in my office. You have a job because my wife likes you.

I don't like you, Sydney. You're useless. You have no experience. To me you're a nothing! But I'm stuck with you!

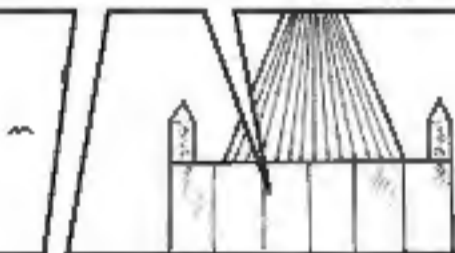
My wife owns this law firm. She's the big boss and her word is law.

She's ordered me to teach you how to become successful.



I think it's hopeless, but I'll try!

You can be an outstanding student with the highest awards and end up a bum. Or...



You could have talent, looks and charm and fail in everything. Why?

Because you didn't know the *secret!*

All the big shots know this secret!
Successful lawyers, business men,
senators, even presidents and
dictators all do it, because it works!

Tell me!

Here it is...

It's not *what* you know,
it's who you know.

I don't get it!

Your aunt is very rich and powerful.
*Her name will open doors for
you to get ahead! Understand?*

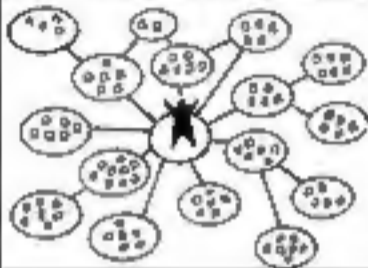
I think so.

My wife knows very important people.



Ask her to introduce you to one of her powerful friends, who can also become *your* friend, who just might help *you*, too.


In a few years you'll get to know friends of new friends. You'll be moving on up!



Soon, many people will know and fear you.



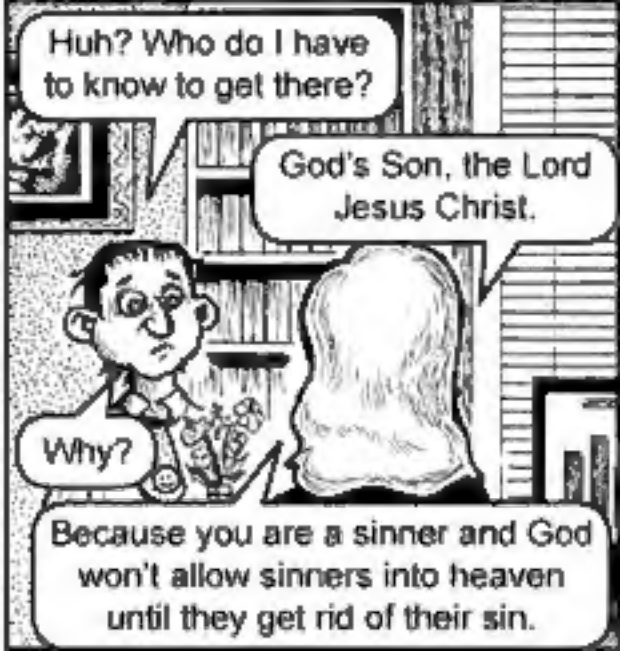
You'll have the world at your feet! Now **get out** of my office!



Hi Sydney. I'm Katie Walker, your aunt's assistant. Did Junior just give you the it's-who-you-know pitch?

Yeah, wow!

It's important. It's also how you get to heaven.



Huh? Who do I have to know to get there?

God's Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Why?

Because you are a sinner and God won't allow sinners into heaven until they get rid of their sin.

What's sin?

Doing what God doesn't want is sin.

Go on!

The wages of sin is death.* But God's Son Jesus came to spare us, and take our guilt on Himself.

*See Ezekiel 18:20; Romans 6:23.

"All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all." Isaiah 53:6

Jesus was sacrificed to pay for our crimes. He shed His blood to wash away all our sins. (See Rev. 1:5)



"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

He was buried, then 3 days later He rose from the dead to give abundant, eternal life to all who trust in Him.

Sydney, would you like Jesus to forgive your sin?

Are you out of your mind? Of course not!



If you reject His offer, you'll pay for your own sin in the lake of fire!*

Baloney!
You're nuts!

*Revelation 20:15

Listen lady, I'm not as *dumb* as I look. I went to *prep* school! Anyone who believes that junk is crazy!

To me, God is just a fairytale!



"Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers..." 2 Peter 3:3

20 minutes later

Junior bring Sydney home for dinner I'm just dying to see him

I've got a wonderful surprise!

Yes Dear

Sydney you're adorable! You look exactly like your father! And I loved him with all my heart

I cried and cried when he passed away

Dinner is waiting madam.

What's the big surprise
Rebecca?

I'm putting Sydney through
college. It's all been arranged.
Surprise my darling boy!

Sydney Monroe
doesn't qualify
to enter our
institution.

His Aunt Rebecca
Shyster donates
\$150,000 per year!

As I was saying, he's the perfect
addition to our student body!

For the kind of money in the field
of education, I think it's a

When Rebecca Shyster was mentioned, behold! Like magic the closed doors opened wide for Sydney Monroe



Sydney I'm so happy to meet you I'm professor Henderson

Sydney's eyes are opened "It's who you know" really works!

Before long Sydney was a celebrity



I thought he was a creep, 'til I found out who his aunt was

No! I am!

I'm going to marry him.

Sydney's in my class We're best friends

Sports

That's the worst I've ever seen

But that's the best Sydney's ever done

The coach gave up on our hero

I'm scrapping Sydney from the team!

Then you're also scrapping the new "Shyster Stadium" and your job!

Sydney is the son I never had

Welcome back Coach!

A man's people maketh room for him
and helpeth him before great men
Proverbs 18:16

How did Sydney do in college?

He was the life of the party. Everyone loved him —and his money.



But Sydney's grades? They were the best that money could buy!

At graduation, Mrs. Shyster gave the university a brand new stadium.



And the college gave Sydney a brand new diploma.

But Aunt Rebecca had another big surprise for Dr. Sydney Monroe.

Dr Sydney Monroe was chosen as the new Junior Partner for the firm of Shyster and Shwandle



He is being called the most eligible bachelor of the year

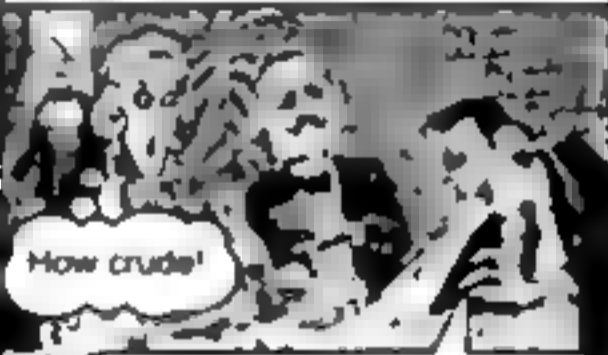
Sydney my business has recently gone international and I've chosen you to head up Public Relations

You'll meet presidents and world leaders

Wonderful Aunt Rebecca You won't be sorry!

But in a few years Aunt Rebecca became very very sorry

Sydney made a fool of himself

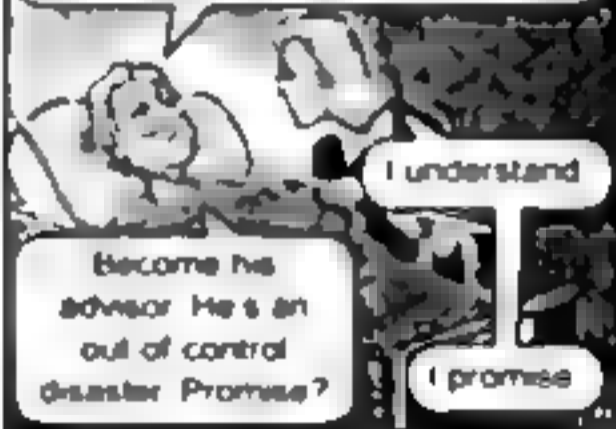


How crude!

Tomorrow I'll be in London with Royals they'll love that joke!

Sydney was in over his head and Aunt Rebecca had a stroke

Kate you know more about our business than anyone Sydney will inherit everything when I die



I understand

Become his advisor He's an out of control disaster Promise?

I promise

Three months later Aunt Rebecca died

Sydney Monroe inherits my entire estate including all my 27 business enterprises. Katie Walker will become his personal advisor and Vice President

What'll I do? I can't handle this!




Sydney suffers a nervous breakdown

Sydney, haven't you had enough "fun" serving the Devil? I know this business

If you are willing to bring God into the picture, we can work as a team and keep this company alive



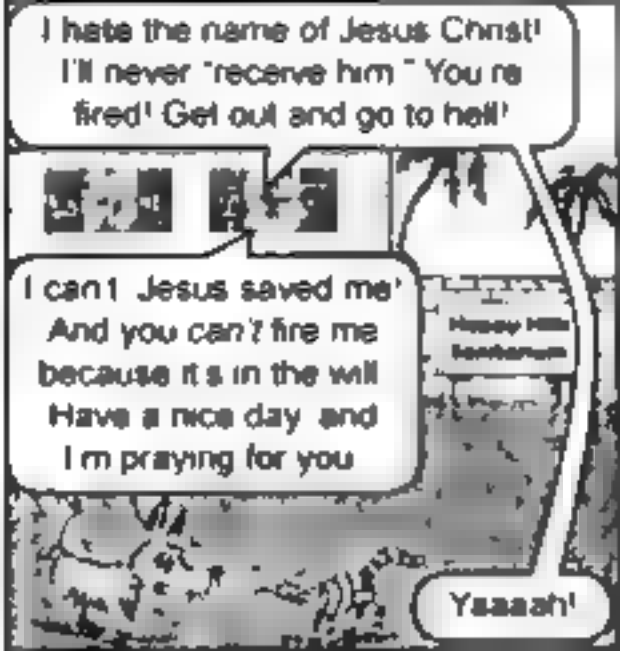
* be sure your sin will find you out
Numbers 32 23

A black and white illustration of a man and a woman. The man is on the right, wearing a dark t-shirt, with his right hand raised in a gesture. The woman is on the left, wearing a dark top and glasses, looking towards the man. They appear to be in a heated conversation.

I don't believe in God and
I don't need you to help
me run the company

I don't need your Jesus! I know
the most powerful people on
earth and **THEY** respect me

I hate the name of Jesus Christ!
I'll never "receive him" You're
fired! Get out and go to hell!

A black and white illustration of a man in a dark t-shirt shouting in a parking garage. He has his mouth wide open and his hand raised. In the background, there are several cars parked in a garage. A sign on the wall reads "Happy Hills Entertainment".

I can't Jesus saved me!
And you can't fire me
because it's in the will
Have a nice day and
I'm praying for you

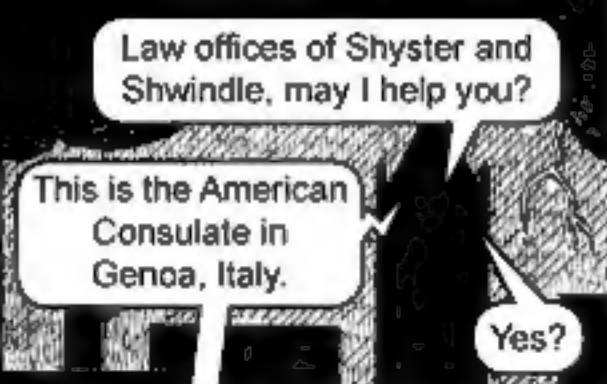
Yaaaah!



*Jn 1:3, Jn 1:10, Col. 1:13-16 Heb. 1:2-3



"...but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." John 3:18



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This is the American Consulate in Genoa, Italy.

Yes?

We've got a body of a person named Sydney Monroe. His plane hit a mountain. No survivors.

Instantly Sydney's soul entered hell.



Phew... Rotten Eggs!

If you think hell is bad, Sydney...

...Wait till you meet the One you hate, Jesus Christ.

Out of the frying pan, into the lake of fire!*

The second death!

"...it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment."

*Rev. 20:14

Hebrews 9:27

On Judgment Day, hell is emptied!
Angels bring lost souls to the Great
White Throne, before the Lord Jesus.



I never
knew you.*

Every hidden word and deed is
revealed.** All who did not trust
Jesus were cast into the lake of
fire, including Sydney.

Make Sure You KNOW Jesus!

*Matt. 7:23 **Matt. 10:26

“...Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ,
and thou shalt be saved...”

Do you believe Jesus died for your sins? YES NO

Did you ask Him to come into your heart to save you? YES NO

If you did, sign this so you
can remember when God
saved your soul.

Date _____

Your Name _____

THE BIBLE SAYS THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO HEAVEN!

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6

NOBODY ELSE CAN SAVE YOU. TRUST JESUS TODAY!

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Rom. 10:9

1. Admit you are a sinner. See Romans 3:10
2. Be willing to turn from sin (repent). See Acts 17:30
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you, was buried and rose from the dead. See Rom. 10:9-10
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus into your heart to become your personal Saviour. See Rom. 10:13

WHAT TO PRAY

Dear God, I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ shed His precious blood and died for my sin. I am willing to turn from sin. I now invite Christ to come into my heart as my personal Saviour.

If you trusted Jesus as your Saviour, you have just begun a wonderful new life with Him. Now:

1. Read your Bible (KJV) every day to get to know Jesus Christ better.
2. Talk to God in prayer every day.
3. Be baptized, worship, fellowship, and serve with other Christians in a church where Christ is preached and the Bible is the final authority.
4. Tell others about Jesus Christ.

Here's help to grow as a new Christian! Read *The Next Step*, available at www.chick.com.

